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FRENCH STATE IN (74)196 THAT "EAST GERMANS INTEND TO PROSPECT" AND THAT "PROSPECTING IS TO TAKE PLACE IN MORAVIA IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA". US TECHNICAL EXPERTS POINT OUT THAT THE CABLE IN QUESTION IS MONITORING CABLE AND WOULD NOT BE NEEDED AT THIS TIME UNLESS THE DRILLING HAS ALREADY PROCEEDED TO APPROXIMATELY 4,000 METERS AT WHICH POINT IT WOULD BEGIN TO BE REQUIRED. UNTIL THAT TIME NON-EMBARGOED MONITORING CABLE WOULD BE EQUALLY AS GOOD AND MUCH MORE ECONOMICAL. CAN FRENCH DEL PROVIDE FURTHER CLARIFICATION IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING COMMENTS? ADDITIONALLY, US AUTHORITIES ARE UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE EXISTENCE OF OIL DEPOSITS IN THE ERZ GEBIRGE PROVINCE OF EAST GERMANY. CAN FRENCH ELABORATE ON THIS POINT? RUSH

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